REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Prior to this Amendment, claims 1-49 were pending in the Application.

Claims 1-17 and 38-49, which were not part of the elected Group II, are cancelled to facilitate allowance of the remaining claims but without prejudice to the subject matter of the cancelled claims.

New claims 50-65 are added to provide protection for the elected fin invention. After entry of the Amendment, claims 18-37 and 50-65 remain for consideration.

In the July 17, 2007 Office Action, the claims were subjected to a restriction requirement requiring Applicants to elect a group of claims for prosecution. Specifically, the Office Action placed the claims in the following groups: Group I including claims 1-17 (drawn to a method for fabricating a heat transfer fin; Group II including claims 18-37 (drawn to a fin); and Group III including claims 38-49 (drawn to an air-cooled heat exchanger).

Applicants elect to prosecute the invention of Group II including claims 18-37 without traverse.

Conclusions

In view of all of the above, it is requested that prosecution proceed for pending claims 18-37 and 50-65. It is believed that no new matter is included in view of claims 50-65.

No fee is believed due with this submittal. However, any fee deficiency associated with this submittal may be charged to Deposit Account No. 14-0460.

Respectfully submitted,

Pai J. White, Reg. No. 30,436

Attorney for Applicants

Dated: August 14, 2007

National Renewable Energy Laboratory Division of Midwest Research Institute 1617 Cole Blvd. Golden, Colorado 80401

Tel.: (303) 384-7575